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Applicant

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Title

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RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Commissioner:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated May 31, 2002, the time period for responding for which having been extending by the accompanying petition for extension of time, applicant responds as follows:

Restriction was required to one of two patentably distinct inventions;

I. Claims 64-79, drawn to a system, apparatus and method for generating a relief object having an electroluminescent device with two electrodes, one flexible with a variable resistive layer underlying the flexible electrode; and Application No.

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II. Claims 82-96, drawn to a system, apparatus and method for generating an image

of a relief object having an electrouminescent device with a single electrode, the

relief object itself being used as a second electrode.

Applicants note that independent claims 80 and 81 were not mentioned in the Restriction

Requirement and presumes that they are included in the invention of Group I, i.e., now claims

64-81.

In this regard, applicants elect the claim of Group I, i.e., claims 64-81, for further

prosecution, without prejudice to claims 82-96.

In view of the indeterminate state of claims 80 and 81, applicant makes a provisional

election of the claims of Group I, as expressed in the restriction requirement, i.e., claims 64-79.

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